

CENTRAL CALIFORNIA IRRIGATION DISTRICT

AGENDA – REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

Wednesday, March 11, 2015 – 8:30 a.m.

CCID Main Office, 1335 West I Street, Los Banos, California

Notice: One or more Directors may attend the meeting by conference call. The speaker phone will be available to the public in the Board meeting room. If a conference call occurs, all votes will be conducted by roll call.

1. Call to Order – Pledge of Allegiance

2. Review of Agenda

The Board will consider corrections or additions to the agenda of items requiring immediate action that have come to the attention of the District following the posting of the agenda.

3. Approval of Minutes – Regular Meeting of February 25, 2015

4. Water Report and Informational Items

- a. Four Entities Watermaster’s report on reservoir storage and water supply outlook
- b. CCID water operations
- c. Report on individual water use for 2015
- d. Update of various studies and water supply issues

5. Public Participation

At this time, members of the public may address the Board on matters that are not on the agenda, which affect the operations of the District and are within the jurisdiction of the Board. The President may limit the time allowed for comment. (Members of the public may also address the Board on any matter on the agenda, when that item is brought up.)

6. Borba Reorganization

a. Negative Declaration

Following a public hearing, at which members of the public may make comments as to the potential environmental impacts of the proposed Borba Reorganization, the Board will be asked to adopt Resolution No. 15-02 to approve a negative declaration.

6. **Borba Reorganization** (Continued)

b. **LAFCO Proceedings**

The Board will be asked to adopt Resolution No. 15-03, to request LAFCO to initiate proceedings to detach approximately 54.0 acres from CCID in the Southeast quarter of Section 23, T.9E., R.9E., M.D.B.&M., and to annex approximately 54.0 acres in the South half of Section 28, T.9S., R.9E., M.D.B.&M., south of the City of Gustine, within Merced County.

7. **On-Farm Water Conservation Program**

One or more conservation projects that have previously received preliminary approval from the Water Conservation Policy Committee will be described and the Board will be asked to approve incentive grants and/or loans for the projects, and to authorize the execution of the loan documents.

8. **Grant Application for Orestimba Creek Recharge Project**

Grant funds may be available for the planned construction of the Orestimba Creek Recharge Project in the vicinity of Newman through the Bay-Delta Restoration Program: CALFED Water Use Efficiency Grant Program, overseen by the Bureau of Reclamation. The grant application indicates that the project cost would not exceed \$1,300,000, with a grant of \$600,000 and CCID contributing \$700,000. The Board will be asked to approve Resolution No. 15-04 to authorize the submittal of the application for the funding.

9. **Approval of February 2015 Warrants**

10. **Monthly Financial Report**

The Secretary will present figures through February 28 for water sales, revenues and expenses in comparison to the 2015 budget, receivables, investments, and reserve funds for water conservation loans and projects. No Board action is expected to be taken.

11. **Legal and Four-Entities Matters**

General Counsel, the Executive Director and the Manager will discuss with the Board current issues affecting the Exchange Contractors and CCID. Board action may be requested on any of these matters.

12. **Miscellaneous Business**

At this time, Board members and staff may discuss matters that are not on the agenda which may affect operations of the District. No Board action is expected to be taken.

13. Closed Session

- a. (Government Code Section 54954.9(a)) – Existing Litigation – Discussion of and instructions to Management and General Counsel with regard to Friant Water Authority, et al. v. United States Department of the Interior, et al.
- b. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – Discussion of and instructions to Management and General Counsel with regard to actions expected to be taken by the State Water Resources Control Board.
- c. (Government Code Section 54954.5) – Real Property Negotiations – Discussion of and instructions to the Four Entities’ Transfer Committee for the transfer of water.
- d. (Government Code Section 54954.5) – Real Property Negotiations – Instructions to staff with respect to acquisition of property to be utilized for the new Poso Canal Reservoir and East Ditch Reservoir.
- e. (Government Code Section 54954.9(a)) – Litigation – CCID/Firebaugh Canal Water District v. United States (Drainage litigation).
- f. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – Subsidence in Western Madera County and Merced County east of the San Joaquin River.
- g. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – San Joaquin River Restoration, including NRDC v. Rodgers, et al.
- h. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – SWRCB proceedings regarding salinity, San Joaquin River flows, State and Federal ESA as applied to Delta smelt, longfin smelt, steelhead and salmon.
- i. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – Regional Board adoption of upstream salinity TMDL standards.
- j. (Government Code Section 54954.9(b)(1)) – Anticipated Litigation – Litigation of rights to water from San Joaquin River, Kings River and Southern Delta.

14. Adjournment